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1. The order for 300 16-meter "school boats" reported previously ¹ has been confirmed by several workers in the Neptun shipyards, Rostock, who report that the Neptun yards are to deliver raw material for these boats to the Berlin-Koepenick shipyards. The boats are reportedly for engineer units, to be used for transporting bridge material, etc. The quantity of 300 "school boats" from the Engelbrecht yards was quoted by the sales director there. Confirmation would be extremely difficult because of the strict guard maintained by the Volkspolizei. The Engelbrecht yards are considered a No. 1 base.

2. The assault boats (Stossbooten) reported previously ² as under construction at the Thaelmann shipyards, Brandenburg -Havel, are similar to the "school boats" built by the Engelbrecht shipyards, according to the latest information. There have been 60 assault boats built at the Thaelmann yards.

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3. The only information on the procurement of steel plates for seiners is that they are imported . These imports are used only for reparations deliveries to the USSR, according to the statement of the director of the Rothersee shipyards, Ullrich (fnu).

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